



— State of —  
**North Dakota**  
*Office of the Governor*  
John Hoeven  
*Governor*

PROCLAMATION  
**CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION WEEK**  
FEBRUARY 12-18, 2006

**WHEREAS**, profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

**WHEREAS**, career and technical education provides students with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry, and contributes to America's leadership in the international marketplace; and

**WHEREAS**, career and technical education provides high school students with practical, meaningful applications of basic skills, such as reading, writing and mathematics, enhancing the quality of their education and giving them leadership opportunities in their fields and in their communities; and

**WHEREAS**, cooperative efforts between career and technical educators, business and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for career fields projected to experience the largest and fastest growth throughout the next decade.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim February 12-18, 2006, **CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION WEEK** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/  
John Hoeven  
Governor

Attest:

/s/  
Alvin A. Jaeger  
Secretary of State